

# Flathead County

Planning & Zoning 1035 1st Ave W, Kalispell, MT 59901 Telephone 406,751.8200 Fax 406,751.8210

### PETITION FOR ZONING AMENDMENT

Submit this application, all required information, and appropriate fee (see current fee schedule) to the Planning & Zoning office at the address listed above.

| APPL  | CANT/OWNER: FEE ATTACHED \$1,533.50  |  |
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| 3. City/State/Zip: Lake Oswego, OR 97035 4. Interest in property: Owner   |  |  |
|   | which applies: Map Amendment Text Amendment:   |  |
| TECHNICAL/PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPANTS:  |  |  |
| Name: Sands Surveying, Inc., Erica Wirtala Phone: 406/755-6481  Mailing Address: 2 Village Loop  City, State, Zip: Kalispell, MT 59901                            |  |  |
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3/4/16 Date

### Addendum to NW Dev Zoning Application:

#### Is the proposed amendment is accordance with the Growth Policy/Neighborhood Plan?

The subject property of the proposed map amendment is also the subject property for a Growth Policy Amendment. The adjoining land to Tract 3C, is owned by NW Dev, and had been part of the original Two Rivers Master Plan when that was first created. This twenty acre parcel was purchased shortly after the Two Rivers Plan was adopted, so it was not included in that initial approval. NW Dev would like to create a continuous and harmonious look for their entire Trumbull Creek Crossing project, and this property would be developed out with much of that same look. Should the proposal for the extension of the Two Rivers Master Plan amendment be successful, then the proposed zoning will be in accordance with the Plan.

#### 2. Is the proposed amendment designed to:

a. Secure safety from fire and other dangers?

The subject property is within the boundaries of the Evergreen Fire District, which is a short two miles down the road. Setbacks and minimum lot sizes allow for safe development of the existing property and surrounding properties.

#### b. Promote public health, public safety and the general welfare?

The requested change is from an SAG-10 designation to an R-4 designation, which is similar zoning to the adjacent properties, is a higher density residential zone. Despite a smaller minimum lot size, there are still required setbacks to be met, permitted uses and conditional uses that restrict the types of development permitted on the lot, permitted lot coverage and sanitation standards that must be met.

# c. Facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks and other public requirements?

The subject property lies within a well-developed area of the County. There are existing paved local roads to facilitate safe travel. There is an adequate supply of water available for private wells and/or extension of water mains from the Evergreen Water District. Soils, geology and topography are favorable for sanitation facilities to be installed on the subject property and/or public sewer services provided by the Evergreen Sewer District. The Helena Flats Elementary School is a short distance away, with some walking trails available for students to use. County and neighborhood parks are also just a short walk or bike ride to access. The immediate area to the west is zoned R-4, so this zone change amendment is an extension of an existing zone and will be consistent with the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

#### 3. Does the proposed amendment consider:

a. The reasonable provision of adequate light and air?

With the application of the R-4 zoning designation, there will be required minimum setbacks and building height requirements for both the principal and accessory structures. There are minimum lot area

standards, minimum lot width standards as well as permitted lot coverages. Yes, there is reasonable provision for adequate light and air.

#### b. The effect on motorized and non-motorized transportation systems?

The northern boundary of the subject property is located along Rose Crossing, which is a paved County road in good condition. Rose Crossing intersects with Highway 2, aided by a traffic light, which is a major north-south arterial road, allowing for four lane, high speed travel to Columbia Falls and Whitefish, or south into Kalispell. A rail line crosses Rose Crossing immediately before the traffic signal, however, this line is utilized only once or twice a week and is unlikely to have a detrimental effect on traffic conditions. This proposed zone change on 20 acres of property will have a marginal effect on this existing transportation system. As there is an existing home on the property, and if the zone change amendment is successful, there is opportunity for a variety of home densities to be built. The definition of the R-4 zone requires public utilities. There are numerous non-motorized bike/ped paths in the area that are already in existence, or to be completed with proposed development in the area. These paths go to the Helena Flats school and to the County park. There is a trail plan for the area and bit by bit, it is being implemented.

# c. Compatible urban growth in the vicinity of cities and towns that at a minimum must include the areas around municipalities?

This proposal is compatible with the urban growth in the general area. This is the continuation of an existing project for an established neighborhood. The property will be served by Evergreen Water and Evergreen Sewer Districts. Evergreen has been a bedroom community of Kalispell, and has areas of development that are similar in density to that of its neighboring municipality. This is a compatible proposal.

### d. The character of the district and its peculiar suitability for particular uses?

The R-4 zone is proposed for this property due to the fact that public water and sewer services are available in the immediate vicinity and that this property will be incorporated into the Trumbull Creek Crossing neighborhood plan. If the proposal is successful, it will be similar in terms of use and compatibility with the Trumbull Creek Crossing neighborhood as this is an extension of existing R-4 zoning district boundaries and master-planned area. The density, building standards (if utilizing the Kalispell Sewage Treatment Plant, all infrastructure and buildings must be constructed to City of Kalispell standards), HOA/CCR requirements would all be applicable to this property.

# e. Conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the jurisdictional area?

As this is an in-fill project, it is encouraging the most appropriate use of the land within the Evergreen Zoning District. There is an existing home on the property and if the Growth Policy and zoning amendments are successful, the original home will be split from the original twenty acre parcel to it's own stand-alone acreage. Additional homesites will be created in the manner of the Trumbull Creek

Crossing development at some point after that. It will be beneficial to the homeowner to maintain a home that conserves the value of their own buildings as well as those of their neighbors. Future development of that lot will continue to add value to the existing home and those within the immediate vicinity.

4. Is the proposed amendment, as nearly as possible, compatible with the zoning ordinances of nearby municipalities?

Yes, the City of Kalispell is the nearest municipality, and it also has an R-4 zoning designation with similar lot sizes, bulk and dimensional requirements, and similar permitted/conditional uses. This zone change requirement for the County R-4 zoning designation is similar to the City of Kalispell's R-4 zoning designation.

### VICINITY MAP-TRACT 3C IN 27-29-21:

### Flathead County GIS Location Map:

